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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversations with David Martin on 8 and 9 August 1972

1. On the afternoon of 8 August Dr. David Martin, member of the Staff of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee telephoned me. He said that General Walt will be testifying on Monday on the Southeast Asian aspects of their report. Martin said they were "billing" the testimony as being on drug control in Southeast Asia--the problems and the progress. His comments indicated that the general position taken will be that a number of people have been describing the Southeast Asia situation as it was, that during the past year there has been considerable change. He indicated that he would have the bulk of his draft for use by General Walt completed sometime on 9 August and that he planned to provide us a copy to check the facts and, if necessary, to check for security. He asked me if we could provide answers to the following:

- When did Ouane Rathikoun resign (or retire? or was forced out?) and what were the circumstances? Were there other senior officers that went out with him?
- What was the wholesale price of a kilogram of No. 4 heroin in Bangkok in May or June 1970?

2. I telephoned Mr. Martin today and told him that we, even after checking with BNDD, did not have a figure for the price of heroin in Bangkok in May or June 1970. I gave him the figure for September 1970 as provided me by [] of OER in the attached table. I also gave him a summary of the information about Ouane Rathikoun as provided to me this

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25X1 morning by [] of OCI (see attached copy). Mr. Martin indicated that he would be seeing [] of OLC today, and that he would work out with Cary the getting to us of a copy of what he has prepared. 25X1

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The following table covers all available data on the wholesale price of #4 white heroin in Bangkok, Thailand.


<u>Month</u>	<u>US \$ Per Kilogram</u>
September 70	2000
January 71	2000-2500
March 71	2000-2500
May 71	2000-2500
June 71	2000-2500
July 71	2286
August 71	2286
October, 71	2286
November 71	2286
December 71	1714
January 72	1714
February 72	1714
April 72	857
May 72	857
June 72	857

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